

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Online Registration for **2025 –2026 Sunday School Year** at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/>. Please note: Registration **cannot** be completed on mobile phone.

NOTE TO PARENTS: Preparation for the Celebration of the Sacraments: (First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation) is a **TWO YEAR** process. Students must be enrolled in a Catholic Religious Education program **at least 1 year prior** to enrollment in the program for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Requirements for Sacrament of Confirmation for Teens:

The Sacrament of Confirmation in the Archdiocese of Atlanta is available for students **starting at age 16 (10th grade)** who are committed to living out their Catholic faith. Students must have **two years of religious education (9th and 10th grade)** through a parish or by attending Catholic school. **Classes begin Sunday, September 21, 2025 from 9:00am -10:15am.** See Bulletin Flyer for more information

BIBLE STUDY RETURNS! Tuesday, September 16th | 7:00–8:30 PM EST | On Zoom

We're beginning a brand-new season - both in nature and in the Word. This fall, we'll be reading the **Gospel of John** (because it just sounds more poetic that way). Whether you're brand new to Bible study or a seasoned scripture sleuth, **all levels of Bible apprentices are welcome.** We're an open, friendly, and welcoming bunch- and if you're shy, no worries! You can always keep your camera off and simply soak in God's word. Fall is a time of change- schedules shift, weather patterns turn, and the sun takes on a new angle in the sky. Maybe you could use a little change right now, too - or at least lean into the **energy of transformation.** Come with the intention of change, and watch how God can shift your life.

YOU ARE INVITED: Atlanta Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women 69th Annual Convention

It is with great pleasure that we extend to you an invitation to attend the 69th Annual Convention of the Atlanta Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women. This year the Convention will be held at Saint Matthew Catholic Church 215 Kirkley Rd, Tyrone, GA 30290, on September 26 – 28, 2025. Date and time: Fri, Sep 26, 2025 3:00 PM - Sun, Sep 28, 2025 3:00 PM ET. **For more information and to register : www.atlarchccw.org.** The registration link can be found under the Convention tab to register on-line or print a registration form. **Early bird registration is due September 9, 2025. After the early bird registration, the last date to register is September 19, 2025.**

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST: For mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

INTER PARISH MIXER: Inter Parish Catholic Singles mixer for ages 40+ at Manuel's Tavern 602 N. Highland Ave, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30307 (404) 525-3447) on Tuesday September 2 From 7:00pm - 9:30 pm Free Admission. A big turnout is expected. Contact: Gloria Gaytan at (404) 825-7880 if you have any questions.

RETRouvaille: A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES: Is your marriage going down the right road . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about our upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program, September 12-14, 2025, call 404.644-3253 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org

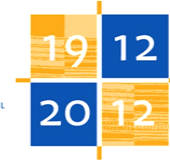
****For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/offices/human-resources/job-openings/> ****

To report abuse by church personnel:
888.437.0764 Archdiocese of Atlanta 24 Hour Reporting Hotline
Free Pregnancy Test – Pregnancy Aid Clinic – 404.763.4357 or Optionline.org



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Atlanta, GA 30312
404.522.6776
www.lourdesatlanta.org
Office Hours: M-F 9AM – 6PM
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 17, 2025



Parish Staff

Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., *Pastor*
Rev. Mr. Chester Griffin, *Deacon*
Rev. Mr. Lennison Alexander, *Deacon*
Rev. Mr. Kenneth Bell, *Deacon*
Mr. LeRell Ross, *Director of Music*
Mrs. Carmen Rancifer Jenkins, *Office Manager*
Ms. Carol Ann Pinard, *Office Administrator*
Mr. Cameron Chaney, *Pastoral Assistant*
Mrs. Angela Massingale, *Parish Secretary*
Mrs. Theresa Bowen, *Director of Religious Education*
Ms. Sheena White, *Teen Ministry Coordinator*

Rooted in African-American Catholic history, Lourdes celebrates the Living Word of God, embraces inclusiveness, and inspires social action.

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We are committed
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Celebration of the Eucharist
Saturdays: 5PM
Sundays: 8:00AM & 10:30AM
Masks optional

Livestream Mass
Sundays: 10:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
By appointment only
Call the Church Office
404-522-6776

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)
Contact: Ms. Kimberly Parrish
404.247.6628 / kaparrish@hotmail.com

Religious Education
Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen
Director of Religious Education
tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org
Resumes: Sept. 21, 2025

Sunday School Classes
For Pre-K - 8th Grade

Teen Ministry:
9:00am - 10:15am
Contact: Ms. Sheena White
(Teen Ministry Coordinator)
Mrs. Ambra Hannah (Assistant)
lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org

Parenting Ministry
9:00am - 10:15am
Contact: Ms. PJ Lemuel
pj.lemuel@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Team
Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin
For Prayer/Visit Email:
lourdespct@lourdesatlanta.org

2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM



Flocknote

Join our online community on **Flocknote** by texting LOURDESATL to 84576 to sign up for a ministry and receive our weekly e-newsletter!

Ministries & Organizations

(OLLS) Alumni Association
Calvin Washington, President
ollsalumni@gmail.com

Amazing Grace Dance Company
Wednesdays, 7:15pm-9:15pm;
Sundays, 1:30pm
Open Rehearsals every 2nd Sunday
January - October at 2:30pm
dancecompanyamazinggrace@gmail.com

Amazing Grace Youth Ministry
Saturdays, 9:45am - 1:30pm
Teresa Emmanuel
amazinggraceyouthministry@gmail.com

Associates of Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament
3rd Saturdays, 3pm (virtual)
Brenda Manson
(404) 735-8120

Bible Study (via Zoom)
Tuesdays, 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P
(404) 522-6776

Book Store
Contact the Church Office
404-522-6776

Boomers and Friends
Lynn Nixon
marion12lynn@gmail.com
404-788-6166

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya
1st Mondays, 7am
Patrice Barton Smith
psbarton901@gmail.com

Finance Council
Quarterly Meetings
Philip Verre, Chairperson
ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org

Green Team
Shelli Stewart,
stewartshelli@yahoo.com

Haiti Ministry
3rd Sunday after the 10:30am Mass
Ron Apollon
404-441-3032
ronapollon@gmail.com

Health Promotions Ministry
4th Sunday after the 10:30am Mass
LaSheka Morris (Lead)
ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com



Today’s Sunday’s Readings

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10;Hebrews 12:1-4
Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Next Sunday’s Readings

Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13
Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the soul of †Marion Chineworth
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Beulah Chrysostom

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (08/09/25 - 08/15/25) **\$20,827**
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (08/09/25 - 08/15/25) \$8,361
Online Offertory (08/09/25 - 08/15/25) \$12,466
Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 25-26): **\$27,885**

Consider setting up on-line giving today!
Visit: <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/funds>.

Thank you for your support of the mission and ministry of Our Lady of Lourdes

2025 Archbishop’s Annual Appeal

“We are One Body in Christ.”

Lourdes Parish Goal: \$109,600
Amount Paid (08/15/25) \$39,212
Over/(Under Goal) **(\$70,388)**

For more information or to donate online
visit donate.archatl.com. Thank you for your generosity.

Thoughts on Stewardship

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Joseph Allen,	Gloria Dworet,	James McEwan,	Johnnie Strong,
Karen Allen,	Joyce Foley,	Melody McIntyre	Jean-Luc Tahou,
Kennan Allen,	Barbara Hagan,	Jeremy Moon,	Gwendolyn Thompson,
Cherry Banez,	Carl Hagood,	Peggy Neeson,	Frank Tighe,
Sandy Bell,	Pamela Haley,	Evette Oates,	Sandra Turner,
Susie Bell,	Frank Howard,	Katie Price,	Helen Vance,
Deanna Blasingame,	Georgia Hutchinson,	Eisenhower Raines,	Josette Walker,
Gerrard ‘Aviel’ Boyd,	Jackson Igou,	Josephine Rosario,	Valerie West,
David Brower,	Geraldine Jackson White,	Mildred Rucker,	Michelle Wilkinson
Edward Branch,	James Jordan,	Alana Shepard,	
Frederick Cannon,	Felix Lawrence,	Barbara Smith,	
Sam Cooper,	Janet Lawrence,	Kevin Smith,	
Betty Davis,	PJ Lemuel,	Scindy Stewart,	
Christian Doute,	Gloria Manson,	Wendy Stewart,	

The deadline for Bulletin and Lourdes Notes (Flocknote) content is
Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

Please email cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org. Bulletins and Inserts are always available
on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

NEWS AT LOURDES

HONORING OUR HISTORY;BUILDING OUR FUTURE: What a wonderful weekend we had celebrating Fr. Jeffery’s return from sabbatical and our bright and bold future! We enjoyed a [soul-filling concert](#) of hope and witnessed powerful testimonies and commitments to the Capital Campaign all weekend. Thank you to everyone who participated! We are tallying up our pledge totals and will be sharing this information soon. If you missed last weekend, please join the journey now and make your pledge to **Honoring Our History • Building Our Future**. Every pledge brings us one step closer to the new spiritual home we deserve. You can make your [pledge online](#) or bring your completed pledge card to Mass. If you need a pledge card, please send an email to HonoringOurHistory@lourdesatlanta.org or pick one up at Mass.

With your participation, we will reach our goal of \$6,000,000—and build the future of Lourdes together!

ADULT CHOIR AUDITIONS for the 2025-2026 Choir season will be held in the sanctuary between **5:00pm and 7:00pm in 15 Minute Timeslots on August 20 & August 21.**Please prepare a 30 second song cut of your choice. You will be asked to match pitch and hold harmonies during your audition slot. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a time slot, please Email: Bryan Montemayor (Music Ministry Administrative Assistant) at musicadmin@lourdesatlanta.org.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING: We will hold an in-person training for all current Extraordinary Ministers and those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion **on Saturday, September 27, 2025 from 9:30am -12:30pm**. You must be a fully initiated Catholic, having celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation to serve. Sign-up at <https://form.jotform.com/252166486221153>.

LECTOR PREP for the month of *October* will be held on **Tuesday, September 2, at 7PM and Saturday, September 6, at 10:30am** in the church.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

August 17 Deidre Smith Gabriel Moise Grant Lipscomb Jamez Wiley Lewanna Rucker Teneliaa Pouncey Victoria Ward	August 19 Andrew Crosby Anibal Corado Christion Wharton Evelyn Jenkins Ian Moon Janni Buggs Keli Phillips Kyler Gause Linda Gaines Rachel Heard Sky Connor	August 21 James Faulkner Carlita Scarboro David Alexander IV Darby McHugh Jessy Halaby Habomimana Clothinde Shelayn Momon Zahra Claxton-Warner Zsariyah Broughton	Scandia McCrary Xander Cotton August 23 Anne Fagan-Podber Brandt Lewis Cloe Guidry-Reed David Alpough David Walker Jerome Morgan Kaitlyn Ranney Karen Brown Keeia Dye Leda Dixon Mary Ellen Macke Niya Thomas Royce Lino-Woodson Wilbert Thomas
August 18 Ashley Williams Carter Griffin Francis Crosby Jarian Ellis Jonathan Aguillard Kaylan Chester Maya De Foor Morgan Wilson Noah Dressie Reginald Grand Pierre	August 20 Aaron Thompson Ashley Miller Ellen D’Orsi Etienne Gatins Gloria Davidson James Beckham Ashley Miller	August 22 Alessandre Jean-Enard Brian Lynch Catherine Quinn Dave Hickerson Ilan Douglas Gianna Bergantino James Rhoads Lily Herold Michele Bagby Nia Van Buren	

Ministries & Organizations

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)
2nd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass
Clima White, Grand Knight
climajwhite@hotmail.com

KPC Junior Knights
Kwame Nyaku, Junior Commander
knyaku@gmail.com

KPC Ladies Auxiliary
2nd Sunday after the 10:30am Mass
Taninma “Ninma” Logan, Grand Lady
ollgrandlady@gmail.com

KPC Junior Daughters
Allison Joyner, Counselor
jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com

Lourdes Lunch
Tuesday & Thursday,
September -June
Thayes Sturgis, Coordinator
(404) 375-0838

Liturgy Committee
Contact: Rev. Jeffery Ott
jott@lourdesatlanta.org

Men’s Ministry
Deacon Kenneth Bell, Facilitator
Contact the Church Office
404-522-6776

Parenting Ministry
Sunday at 9:00am
P.J. Lemuel, Facilitator
(770) 981-7226

Social Action Committee
1st Sunday after the 10:30am Mass
Kiana Wright, John Schwenkler & Beatrice Soublet

Stephen Ministry Leaders
Lennison Alexander, (404) 644-7554;
Fr. Jeffery Ott , (404) 997-3867

St. Vincent de Paul Society
1st & 3rd Sunday after 10:30am Mass
Nathaniel Papillion, Chair
SVDP Hotline (678) 892-6163

Women’s Council
1st Sunday at 10am

Millen-Z Ministry (Young Adult Group)
Nikki Mooror
nmoorers154@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office